

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): Ol et al.

Appln. No.: 09

Series Code ↑

421,322

Serial No. ↑

Filed: October 18, 1999

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents

PO Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Group Art Unit 2815

Examiner: ECKERT II, George

Atty. Dkt. P 264817 OSP-8303

M# Client Ref

Appln. Title: DIELECTRICALLY SEPARATED
WAFER AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Date: May 9, 2003

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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2. Total Effective Claims	5	**minus	20	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims	3	***minus	3	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0	102/202
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application)				add	+ \$280/\$140 =	+ \$0	104/204
5. Original due Date: March 9, 2003	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE						
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		(2 mos)	\$410/\$205 =	+ \$410			116/216
		(3 mos)	\$930/\$465 =				117/217
		(4 mos)	\$1,450/\$725=				118/218
		(5 mos)	\$1,970/\$985=				128/228
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract				- \$0			
8.					Extension Fee	+ \$410	
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee				+ \$110/\$55	+ \$0		148/248
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or if Rule 97(d) Request		add		+ \$180	+ \$0		126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)				+ \$750/370	+ \$0		146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b).....				x \$750/375 ea	+ \$0		149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)				+ \$750/375	+ \$0		1179/1279
14. Petition fee for					+ \$0		
15.					TOTAL FEE =	\$410	
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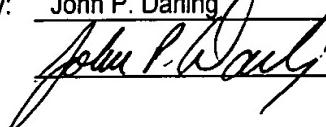
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Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 9, 2002, consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 5, 6 and 9 are pending in this application.

Claim Rejection – 35 USC § 102 and 35 USC § 103

Claims 1 and 5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) over Ohta et al. (EP 0493116). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection for at least the following reasons.

The Office Action contends that Ohta et al. teaches, in Figures 1a to 1o, a dielectrically separated wafer 13 having a plurality of dielectrically separated monocrystalline silicon islands mutually defined by a dielectrically separating oxide film 6 on the surface of the wafer, wherein the dielectrically separated islands 12 comprise a high concentration impurity layer 2 (col. 4, line 6) formed on the bottom of the islands in a flat plate form; and a

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